GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4935
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EXPORT OF SUGAR
GADDAM GANGA REDDY;SHIVAJI VITHALRAO KAMBLE

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether export of Indian sugar has suffered a set back with Yemen and Iraq rejecting two cargoes because of poor quality;

(b) whether the Government have enquired into this;

(c) if so, the findings of the enquiry and the steps taken to ensure good quality of Indian sugar;

(d) the names of other countries which have cancelled the import of sugar on the same basis; and

(e) the losses suffered by the Food Corporation of India/Union Government in this deal?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (S SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a) (b) (c) & (d): The export of sugar is being undertaken by various sugar mills/exporters as per the requirement of the foreign buyers based on their commercial judgements. This Ministry has no information about the rejection of cargoes of sugar by Iraq and Yemen or any other country.

(e): As the exports have not been undertaken by the Food Corporation of India (FCI)or Union Government, the question of loss on account of rejection of the cargoes, if any, by the FCI of the Union Government does not arise.